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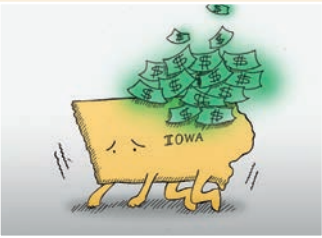


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Design expo demonstrates student work

ISU students will have an opportunity to see design prototypes built by fellow students at the ISU Mechanical Engineering Design Expo.

The expo, from noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday, will be located in the Howe Hall Atrium.

The expo will have more than 50 class projects from sophomore to senior levels. There will also be hands-on demonstrations of mechanical engineering design.

The event is free to the public.

— By Daily staff

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Politics

A call to caucus changes?

By Charles O'Brien
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“The Iowa caucuses are a place where unknown candidates can get a start.”

Steffen Schmidt, professor of political science, stated this in a video at the start of a panel discussing the future of the Iowa Caucuses.

The Harkin Institute of Public Policy hosted the panel Monday to discuss the Iowa caucuses, which kicks off the starts of the presidential elections.

The panel discussed the need for the caucuses and what alternations were needed.

The panel consisted of Terry Nelson, the National Political Director in 2004 for Bush-Cheney; JoDee Winterhof, former chief of staff for Sen. Tom Harkin; and David Yepsen, director of the Paul Simon Policy Institute at Southern Illinois.

Yepsen, who also served as the moderator, pointed out that the caucuses are important since many people get involved with politics because of the caucuses.

“My view is that the caucus on the Republican side will continue to be important because Iowans take their duty serious when determining their candidate,” Nelson said.

Iowans’ serious attitude toward

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Top: File photos: Iowa State Daily; Bottom: Photo: Lindsey Lippincott/Iowa State Daily

Top right and left: Votes are cast and counted during the Iowa Republican caucuses Jan. 3 in Ames. Top middle: Caucusers applaud Christie Vilsack, then-candidate for U.S. House, during the Jan. 3 caucuses at the Ames High School. Bottom: JoDee Winterhof, left, David Yepsen and Terry Nelson discuss the benefits and detriments of having Iowa be the first state to have its caucuses. The panelists suggested future changes to Iowa’s caucus rules.

Finances

Activity fees, student debt spark debate

By Meryl Onnen
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Student fees were the hot topic of discussion at a student debate specifically for the matter discussing the issues of if these funds are necessary and if it is taking away students’ rights by using their money to fund services not all students use.

The team taking the pro side of this argument on cutting these mandatory fees was made up of Ashley Pickhinke, junior in communication studies and Lindsay Budde, freshman in open option (LAS). Their opposition, Travis Reed, sophomore in computer engineering; Andrew Storm, senior in speech communication; and Sarah Constable, senior in communication studies, supported the funding of these services had.

“These fees are not letting us make our own decisions and increasing our already large student debt,”

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Photo: Megan Wolff/Iowa State Daily

WEATHER: Warming up to new record-highs

Ben Holgersson, freshman in materials engineering, throws a flying disc in the Richardson Court Association in Monday’s unseasonably warm weather. Ames saw a record high of 68, according to the National Weather Service, as recorded at the Ames Municipal Airport.

College of Engineering

Dean candidate promotes diversifying, growth

By Mike Randleman
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As a female in a male-dominated industry, Sarah Rajala promised to promote diversification and growth in the College of Engineering.

As the third and final candidate in the search for the new dean of the

College of Engineering spoke about the importance of diversifying during her forum Monday.

Rajala, currently dean of the Bagley College of Engineering at Mississippi State, demonstrated how she has broken new ground all throughout her professional career:

“When I took the dean position

at Mississippi State University, there had never been a female dean.”

Before this, she had also become the first female to acquire several new levels of tenure during her time at North Carolina State.

This attitude of seeking out new heights, she said, can aid Iowa State’s College of Engineering in its own vi-

sions of increased success. Citing statistics regarding items such as the number of faculty, overall research expenditures and expenditures per faculty, Rajala indicates room for growth in comparison to other similar land-grant institutions.

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Zachary Rhodes, 33, 620 Duluth St., was arrested and charged with public intoxication (reported at 7:04 p.m.).

April Stevens, 21, 319 Freel Drive, was arrested and charged with driving while barred, failure to provide insurance and driving without seat belt (reported at 9:30 a.m.).

Bryan Wickman, 32, 225 S. Kellogg, was arrested and charged with public intoxication (reported at 9:25 p.m.).

Nov. 22

Aaron Becquer, 24, of Minneapolis, Minn., was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia (reported at 10:10 p.m.).

Deividas Guinan, 21, 111 N. Sherman Ave., was arrested and charged with interference with official acts and failure to attend mandatory treatment (reported at 9 a.m.).

Nov. 23

Daniel Lenzner, 22, of Stevens Point, Wis., was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia at Lincoln Way and Lynn Avenue (reported at 2:18 a.m.).

Cody Schultz, 20, of Plainfield, Ill., was cited for underage possession of alcohol at Lot 85E (reported at 2:14 p.m.).

Jacob Coulson, 20, 4708 Steinbeck St. Unit 207, was cited for underage possession of alcohol at Lot 85E (reported at 2:34 p.m.).

Mitchell Fondell, 20, of Urbandale, was arrested and charged with public intoxication, interference with official acts, and underage possession of alcohol in Lot 85E (reported at 3:45 p.m.).

James Hagelie, 44, of Waukee, was arrested and charged with public intoxication at Jack Trice Stadium (reported at 3:45 p.m.).

Austin Cooper, 20, of Urbandale, was arrested and charged with public intoxication and unlawful use of a license in Lot G8 (reported at 3:43 p.m.).

Michael Montgomery, 20, 507 Welch Ave. Apt. 2, and **Anna Richards**, 19, 1415 Coconino Road, were cited for underage possession of

alcohol at Lot S5 (reported at 4:26 p.m.).

Hanna Vovrie, 20, 4912 Mortensen Rd. Unit 1011, was cited for underage possession of alcohol Lot S6 (reported at 4:42 p.m.).

Officers responded to a fight in progress in Lot D1; however before officers could arrive, one of the principal people involved had left the scene (reported at 6:48 p.m.).

Stephanie Armbrust, 21, 230 Campus Ave. Apt. 211, and Benjamin Misak, 23, 608 Grand Ave., were arrested and charged with public intoxication at Hyland Avenue and Pammel Drive (reported at 10:23 p.m.).

Kevin Baumhover, 25, 603 9th St., was arrested and charged with public intoxication (reported at 11:50 p.m.).

Daniel Peterson, 23, of Boone, was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and public intoxication (reported at 10:12 p.m.).

Nov. 24

Tate Stetzel, 22, 107 Campus Ave., was arrested and charged with public intoxication in the 100 block of South Sheldon Avenue (reported at 1:27 a.m.).

Conrad Columbo, 25, 1014 Poe Ave., was arrested and charged with public intoxication and interference with official acts at Hunt Street and Welch Avenue (reported at 2:08 a.m.).

Abhishek Aggarwal, 20, 232 S. Walnut Ave. Apt. 4, was arrested and charged with operating while intoxicated Hayward Avenue and Lincoln Way (reported at 3:05 a.m.).

An individual reported the theft of a laptop computer at Velch Hall; the incident occurred sometime since Nov. 15 (reported at 2:11 p.m.).

Jacqueline Hartnett, 24, 626 S. 16th St. Unit 21, was arrested and charged with public intoxication (reported at 1:21 a.m.).

Cody Newsome, 18, of Nevada, was arrested and charged with leaving the scene of a property damage collision (reported at 12:23 a.m.).

Nov. 25

Mandi Ma, 22, 146D University Village, was arrested and charged with unlawful use of license at 13th Street and Stange Road (reported at 12:09 a.m.).

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the caucuses was also highlighted by Winterhof, who said the caucuses allowed candidates to meet and talk with people more.

If larger states' primaries were pushed to go before Iowa's caucus, she said, the whole process would just turn into a media campaign.

Both also pointed out the amount of coverage each candidate receives by partaking in the caucuses and that when candidates skipped Iowa, they lose the national coverage that is part of the Iowa caucuses.

"If you talk to the media about the caucuses, they get to get up close with the candidates more than in other states, and along with the fact that candidates are able to get up close with people more," Winterhof said.

An area the panel stated needed to be improved in order for the Iowa caucuses to have continued success was the improvement of quality control.

A way quality control could be improved is to make sure the vote count is finished in a timely fashion. Another suggestion was made to make uniform rules across the nation for caucuses and primaries to speed up the process.

"Uniform rules will never happen," Nelson said. "Having the Republican National Convention telling a state how to do their caucus will not work."

The panel also made the comment that the caucuses could be changed from a week night to the weekend in order to boost attendance.

"A weekend event sounds good to me; Saturday is an ideal day to me because of the accessibility," Yepsen said. "Saturday night at 6:30 will allow more people to attend."

Nelson said during the panel that at the next Republican convention, rule changes would be implemented.

One rule states delegates' votes must reflect their state's vote from caucus night.

This rule change came about after Mitt Romney and Rick Santorum both received 25 percent of the Iowa Caucus vote, but 22 of Iowa's 28 delegates voted for Ron Paul instead at the Republican National Convention, with Romney receiving six votes.



Photo: Ethan Crane/Iowa State Daily

Sarah Rajala, candidate for dean of the College of Engineering, promotes diversification and growth in an open forum Monday in Howe Hall. Rajala is one of three candidates for the job.

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"We need to figure out how to diversify our portfolio and be able to continue to support the work we imply that we can achieve," Rajala said about research.

To fund this diversification, Rajala said she envisions naming both the college as a whole as well as some, or all, of the different departments within the college after specific donors.

"To me, that gives the college an additional set of flexible resources," of which she said would be of great use to strengthen research capabilities at Iowa State.

The topic of research was not the only point of emphasis for Rajala's vision, as she also said the significance of engineering students attaining a more global perspective is highly important.

"We need to celebrate the cultures that are brought to campus and to engage our whole community in those celebrations of culture and diversity."

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Pickhinke said in defense of cutting funds. "It has been proven that students with less financial stability have increasing feelings of anxiety and nervousness and less ability to sleep."

The first issue they addressed is the \$90 per semester that goes to the Thielen Student Health Center.

"This money is mostly used for Free Condom Wednesday or Thursday. But what if a student's religion goes against contraception or believes this encourages having sex?" Pickhinke said as an example of students' inability to influence the decision or the lack of rights over students' own funds.

The team against cutting student activity fees also pointed out that even though the Student Health Center is not used by all students, enough students use the center that it helps the school by

not spreading sickness and helps the overall wellness of the student body.

The one of the most expensive fee they discussed was the \$190 entrance fee new students must pay.

Budde said: "Most of this goes to funding Destination Iowa State. My first day of the activities for this, many people were there, but the last two days barely anyone showed up."

"This money could be back in my pocket and used for something I actually want to use it on."

They also pointed out the clubs this money goes to only make up 25 percent of the 800 different clubs on campus.

"Clubs are about academic interests and meeting new people; they don't necessarily need to be funded," Budde said.

Reed began his rebuttal to the pro team's arguments by discussing the importance of

this funding.

"Paying these fees is an important part of being in the [ISU] community," Reed said. "They help provide access to services that are used by a majority of the students. These costs are a portal to opportunity. You've heard that cutting the funding to these services will put money back in your pocket; this isn't true."

"By these services not being provided through the school, that is less covered by financial aid and more out of your pocket."

The \$230 technology fee students pay toward the multiple computer labs on campus was another issue that was brought up in the discussion.

"Technology is outdated after being used four years and these funds also supply us with our multiple Internet routers around campus," Storm said: "Without them we wouldn't have access to Internet."



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Student organizations



Mike Bankers, sophomore in management and industrial engineering, describes the idea behind the T-shirt created by the ISU chapter of Norml in a meeting with ISU administrators Tom Hill and Warren Madden. The shirt created controversy because of its use of ISU mascot Cy in association with the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws.

Group supports legalizing pot

By Solomon.Keithley
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Joshua Montgomery, sophomore in industrial engineering, is trying to make a push for the legalization of marijuana in the state of Iowa. “The truth is,” Montgomery said, “Iowans — be they students, custodians, bus drivers, doctors, dog-walkers, patients, farmers, veterans or teachers — are suffering at the hands of unjust marijuana policy.” Montgomery and the ISU Chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws came under fire earlier in the week when university officials condemned the groups’ unauthorized use of Cy on their club T-shirts. The group promotes awareness of laws regarding marijuana, the arguments

for legalizing marijuana and policy options for marijuana regulation. “Legalization may be a nice end goal,” Montgomery said. “But realistically, Iowa needs to take one step at a time. We need to get marijuana decriminalized.” Decriminalization is different from legalization, Montgomery said, in that it does not remove penalties, only reduces the them, “so people stop losing their jobs and students stop losing their loans. We also need to allow for medicinal marijuana to enter the medical field in our state.” Steffen Schmidt, university professor of political science, gave his view on how the Iowa Legislature would react if the state would try to legalize marijuana soon. “I think the [Republican

Party] is opposed to legalization, and they control the Iowa House,” Schmidt said. This will make the organization’s battle that much tougher. “As far as raising awareness,” Montgomery said, “Our student-organization Web page will be operational during [Winter] Break, and it will house our petition initiatives — the root of our efforts. These initiatives will urge communities to print off our petitions asking for the decriminalization of marijuana and the introduction of medicinal cannabis. “Freedom fighters will simply need to get the petitions filled out and mail or fax them to us,” Montgomery said. “The instructions will be detailed on the website as soon as it is up and running. Once it is, we will run a state-wide

awareness campaign informing Iowa of the urgency for action.” Montgomery also further explained the main message of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws. “[The ISU Chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws] intends to bring to light the glaring necessity for marijuana law reform in the state of Iowa,” Montgomery said. “In no way do we advocate for breaking current laws; we seek to change the laws through spreading the truth and raising awareness of current realities.”

Tuition

State funding for financial aid not guaranteed

By Lyle Mueller
Iowa Watch

Iowa legislators are nowhere near ready to accept the state universities’ suggestion that, in exchange for freezing tuition for in-state undergraduates, government take over part of their programs that help needy Iowans pay tuition. Some favor it, while a small handful are dead-set against the idea. But for the most part, legislators are willing, and expecting, to hear more.

The legislators want to see something formal from the Board of Regents who run the universities and Gov. Terry Branstad’s proposed fiscal 2014 budget before judging the idea, a survey by IowaWatch and the Iowa State Daily and Daily Iowan newspapers reveals.

“What we have now is just some words, just a proposal,” said Rep. Greg Forristall, R-Macedonia.

The state’s Board of Regents are to vote Wednesday on a proposal to freeze next year’s tuition for undergraduate residents of Iowa at the three state universities: Iowa State, Iowa, Northern Iowa.

The freeze is tied to a decision the Board of Regents made in October to phase out a program that sets aside 15 percent of tuition revenue to assist low-income undergraduates from Iowa with their tuition.

The regents have told the foundations raising funds for

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The Iowa Board of Regents is asking the state for \$40.1 million to make up for the \$150 million in cuts since the 2008-09 year. Undergraduate tuition for Iowa residents is \$6,678 at Iowa and \$6,648 at Iowa State and Northern Iowa.

the universities to come up with \$200 million to cover some of the costs of that low-income financial aid but also want the state to give the universities \$39.5 million next year for aid.

The following student journalists worked on this project:

From the Daily Iowan: Lauren Coffey, Brianna Jett, Cassidy Riley, Brent Griffiths, Nick Hassett, Tierra Simpson, Eric Clark, Quentin Misiag, Stacey Murray, Rishabh Jain, Kristen East and Jordyn Reiland. From the Iowa State Daily: Katherine Klingseis, Katelynn McCollough and Frances Myers From Iowa Watch: Hayley Bruce (U of I), Emily Hoerner (U of I), and Lihn Ta (UNI).

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Editorial

Firearm trade ends with lack of real results

Between 2006 and 2011, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, commonly called the ATF, conducted an operation called “Project Gunrunner,” the purpose of which was eliminating the illegal purchase of firearms intended for shipment to Mexico, where they’d eventually end up in the hands of Mexican drug cartels. Project Gunrunner was comprised of several operations, the largest and final being Operation Fast and Furious, started in 2009.

The process was relatively simple: The ATF compelled legal firearms dealers to sell so-called “assault weapons” and handguns to Mexican gun traffickers the government had secretly identified and presumed they could track. As history shows us though, hubris is a dangerous thing.

The ATF could not track the people and, therefore, not the guns, resulting in hundreds if not thousands of guns lost to Mexican cartels. In Fast and Furious alone, of the more than 2,000 guns sold under this scam, only 700 were recovered.

Complaints fell upon deaf ears: Dec. 14, 2010, saw the killing of border patrol agent Brian Terry by a rifle lost by the ATF during Fast and Furious. Then, on Feb. 15, 2011 immigration and customs agent Jaime Zapata was killed with a gun linked to Operation Gunrunner. The Mexican government also strenuously complained Mexican citizens and police officers were being killed by guns traced back to our Operation Gunwalker, too.

Yet despite knowing what was happening, top-level authorities in the Justice Department and ATF let the failing programs continue. Iowa’s very own Sen. Charles Grassley initiated an investigation, and the Justice Department followed the golden rule of government when somebody screws up: Deny, deny, deny. But cries for Attorney General Eric Holder’s resignation came from all angles — and many even spoke of impeaching President Barack Obama.

The ultimate insult to injury after injury came the other day: Two men were sentenced for gun smuggling related charges in connection to Fast and Furious. The charges? Not murder or even smuggling, but rather conspiracy and lying to the cops. The sentences? Three and a half years for one guy, and nine for the other. Not even a decade in trade for the lives of two public servants and untold other civilians and Mexican officials.

The government ought to be ashamed. It’s one thing to do something stupid, another to try covering it up, and yet another to abjectly fail to achieve any redeeming result.

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Rescue



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The Ames Animal Shelter encourages residents to welcome a new addition to their home, provided they have the necessary care time and love for them. For new pet owners and students, adult animals are recommended because they are better trained and often already vaccinated.

Give the gift of pet adoption

Visit local animal shelters to find perfect companions

Are you wanting to give a gift for the holidays that would leave a lasting impression? If you can provide the necessary care, time and love, adopting a new pet from an animal shelter would be perfect.

The Ames Animal Shelter is a small place with very devoted staff members who care for more than 1,000 dogs, cats, wildlife and various domesticated pets every year. Last year, they took in approximately 1,120 animals total. They are a division of the Ames Police Department, and in addition to their animal care services, they enforce regulations and ordinances regarding the control and treatment of animals in the city of Ames.

Many of the staff have been a part of the shelter for a long time. Lorna Lavender has been with the animal shelter for more than two decades, where she started out as a volunteer and made her way up to her current title of supervisor.

Lavender said a common misconception is that giving pets as gifts is a terrible idea. But the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals did a study on the subject and in their research found that many people cherished a pet more if it was given as a gift.

Another misconception is that many people think owning a dog or cat while in college would be a bad idea, since students will be busy with school and have limited time and money to care for an animal. But through her experiences, Lavender has a different opinion on the subject. As long as someone can commit the time, money and love for an animal, she sees no reason why a college student shouldn’t be able to enjoy the companionship and happiness a pet can bring.

Lavender suggested, especially for new pet owners, buying an adult pet rather than a younger animal. Most adults would already be vetted and have more training overall, which is a lot easier on a new pet owner. In general, an older pet will be less expensive because they will mostly likely have many of their vaccina-

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tions and shots already done. A puppy or kitten (or any young animal) will probably still need those medical needs taken care of, so that increases the initial cost of owning a pet.

It is also important you spay or neuter your pet. Many of the unwanted animals received by shelters are a result of the irresponsibility of owners to do so, which causes a significant increase of stray animals (many of which continue to breed at an exponential rate). This is a primary reason why you see so many cats and kittens everywhere.

She also suggested you take the time to make sure a pet is the right decision for you and if you think it’s the right time for you to own a pet because it is a commitment and not something they’d want anyone to do impulsively. If you still want a pet after thinking everything through, stop by the shelter and check out the animals available. Make sure you have enough money to pay for a pet and all their expenses, which she says a good rule of thumb would be to allow for at least \$30 per month (at least). You should also account for various visits to the veterinarian and make sure you could pay for treatment if something should arise.

The shelter gets financial support through taxpayer dollars provided by the Ames community, but they only take a mere \$0.55 from each person per month. In the course of a year each person will pay approximately \$6.60, and that money, along with much-appreciated donations, goes directly towards the care of the animals and supporting their programs. More specifically, the money is used for an animal control program and sheltering services, providing food and clean water for the animals, maintaining a clean and sanitary facility, hiring a quality staff with fantastic customer service skills, stray animal and rabies control, neglect and cruelty intervention and prevention, an excellent volunteer program, emergency animal response, humane education for the community, wildlife education and referrals, neighborhood complaint mediation, lost and found services, networking, animal ordinance

enforcement for dangerous animals, and a more than 90 percent success rate for finding homes for healthy animals. For fewer than \$7 a year, each person does a lot of good for many animals in the area.

If anyone is looking to help out the shelter, they can apply to be a volunteer. However, it’s quite competitive. On average they get around 200 applicants each year, and only accept 40 people. They would rather have a small number of quality volunteers than just a large quantity of volunteers. If anyone is interested they are accepting applications January through March, and if selected, you’ll undergo training from April to May. After that you’ll officially be a volunteer for the shelter.

The staff dedicates a lot of time to the shelter. On a weekly basis, they spend 66 hours of animal control “call ready” services, 35 hours cleaning the facility and animal care, two hours of after hour appointments, 20 hours of supervisory and assistance, they open the facility for 30 hours to the public, and an additional 18 hours of other responsibilities. In total, the shelter averages approximately 171 manpower hours each week. In the course of a year, the shelter averages 13,000 phone calls, 18,000 visitations and 2,540 field calls.

Because of the efforts of the staff and volunteers, as well as the support of the community, the Ames Animal Shelter proudly boasts an average adoption and reclaim rate of more than 90 percent for their animals. For dogs alone, that success rate is 97 percent.

The Ames Animal Shelter is located at 325 Billy Sunday Road on the southeast side of Ames and is open from noon to 4 p.m. Monday and Saturday and noon to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. The phone number is 515-239-5530.

So, if you’re thinking about getting a new pet you should contact the shelter and check out the animals available for adoption. Each pet adopted is a life saved.

Caitlin Ellingson is a junior in journalism and mass communication and environmental studies from Milo, Iowa.

Letter to the editor

State surplus is one-time deal

Iowa needs to focus spending to avoid deficit in the future

When Gov. Terry Branstad unveils his new budget plan to Iowa lawmakers next January, one of the major issues on the table will be what to do with the state’s record \$688.1 million budget surplus from fiscal year 2012. The surplus is in addition to the state’s “rainy day” savings funds that have already been filled to the maximum Iowa law allows.

It exists mainly because revenue estimates of state income and sales taxes for 2012 were below the amount actually collected. The state is required to have a balanced budget from year to year, but unforeseen surpluses or deficits are allowed to be carried forward to the next fiscal year’s budget, where lawmakers must decide what to do with them.

I believe it would be prudent for lawmakers to take a conservative approach to allocating the surplus. Revenue surpluses depend heavily on factors in the general economic environment that

are outside the control of state lawmakers. A surplus this year does not guarantee a surplus next year, so any excess revenue should be considered one-time money. Iowa law might allow these surpluses to be carried forward and spent however legislators deem worthy, but sound budgeting principles should dictate that one-time money not be used to fund recurring expenditures.

There are plenty of one-time expenditures that would be good ways to allocate this surplus. These include a partial return to taxpayers, infrastructure im-

provements, an additional reserve fund in the event that impending federal budget problems lead to decreased state funding, or an infusion of cash into IPERS, which currently is facing a \$6 billion shortfall.

Legislators would be wise to focus on one of these options instead of one that will require perpetual expenditures, which could lead to the state facing a deficit situation in future years.

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FOOTBALL:

Knott, Klein named to CBS All-Big 12

Senior linebackers Jake Knott and A.J. Klein have been named to the CBS Sports Big 12 All-Conference Team, as announced Monday.

Klein, who was Co-Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year last season, leads the team in total tackles with 98 and is tied for the NCAA record for most interceptions returned for touchdowns by a linebacker with four.

Knott's season saw an early ending due to a recurring shoulder injury that required surgery after Iowa State's 35-21 Homecoming win against Baylor on Oct. 27. Knott ranks sixth in all-time tackles in ISU history with 347.

— By Daily staff

BASKETBALL:



Photo: Iowa State Daily

Big 12 names Will Clyburn as Rookie of the Week

ISU men's basketball player Will Clyburn has been named Big 12 Rookie of the Week, the conference announced Monday.

Clyburn scored a career-high 32 points vs. BYU. He scored 22 in the first half while also finishing the game with five rebounds, two blocks and two steals.

This was the first time a Cyclone scored more than 30 points since Jake Anderson in the Big 12 tournament in 2011.

At this point in the season, Clyburn is averaging 17.6 points per game, which is good for third in the Big 12. He's also averaging 8.6 rebounds per game, which is second in the Big 12 behind Melvin Ejim, who's averaging 8.9 per game.

— By Daily staff

WOMEN'S BALL:

AP Top 25

1. Stanford (8-0)

2. UConn (6-0)

3. Baylor (6-1)

4. Duke (6-0)

5. Notre Dame (5-0)

6. Georgia (9-0)

7. Kentucky (6-1)

8. Louisville (8-1)

9. Maryland (4-1)

10. Penn State (6-1)

11. California (6-1)

12. Texas (5-0)

13. Oklahoma (7-1)

14. Tennessee (6-1)

15. Purdue (7-1)

16. Oklahoma State (6-0)

17-t. UCLA (4-1)

17-t. Kansas (7-0)

19. Dayton (9-0)

20. Ohio State (5-2)

21. North Carolina (7-1)

22. Iowa State (5-0)

23. Miami (Fla.) (5-1)

24. Florida State (7-0)

25. Nebraska (6-2)

SPORTS JARGON:

Box out

SPORT:

Basketball

DEFINITION:

When a player gets inside position and blocks another playing from moving to rebound.

USE:

Melvin Ejim boxed out a player from BYU to grab one of his 10 rebounds on the day.

Men's basketball



File photo: Shane Tully/Iowa State Daily

Melvin Ejim drives the lane against Alabama A&M on Nov. 12 at Hilton Coliseum. The Cyclones have won the rebound battle against several top-ranking teams, but continue to consider turnovers the low point of their game.

Rebounds abound as ISU hits midseason

By Cory Weaver

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With its 83-62 rout of BYU on Saturday, the ISU men's basketball team is officially through the first half of its nonconference season.

A 5-2 record and win against the Cougars highlights the first seven games with the Cyclones already showing improvement in several areas. Six games separate Iowa State (5-2, 0-0 Big 12) from heading to Lawrence, Kan., to kick off the Big 12 season Jan. 9, 2013.

"I like the balance," said ISU coach Fred Hoiberg of his team. "That's one thing about our team, is if you go out and try to shut one guy down, somebody else can beat you."

And that could be an understatement. Between Tyrus McGee, Georges Niang and Percy Gibson, the trio combines for more than 34 points and 15 rebounds per game.

In addition to having a well-balanced attack, the Cyclones have made a statement in rebounding that ranks among the nation's best.

Beside the team's +12.4 rebounding margin, one of the top 10 in the country, its 46.9 rebounding average is the best in the country.

"Going into the season, we thought: 'Man, we better rebound or

we're going to get killed,'" said junior Melvin Ejim. "We definitely changed it around and it's worked out for us, so we're doing a great job."

Had the team rebounded and contended only against low-caliber competition, it might not be as big of a surprise. But when Iowa State won the rebounding battle against UNLV, Cincinnati and BYU, Hoiberg said it's easier to evaluate where is team sits.

"You always have a better idea of who your team is when you go up against top-level talent, which we did," Hoiberg said. "We learned a lot about ourselves after those two games. It's a painful lesson sometimes when you have to learn that way, but I thought we really responded, and that's the thing I'm most proud of our guys."

On the other side of things, the Cyclones know there are still plenty of areas for improvement. The one that has arguably raised the most questions is turnovers.

Through the first seven games, Iowa State has turned the ball over 111 times, an average of fewer than 16 per game. Iowa State's -0.29 turnover margin is second only to Texas (-4.29) for worst in the Big 12.

"The biggest area of improvement I probably would've said [is] just overall taking care of the ball," Ejim said.

"A lot of us, even myself, had a lot of turnovers even the last game, but we really cleaned that up this BYU game, and hopefully we can continue to do that throughout the season."

Redshirt senior Korie Lucious has shown to be more comfortable running the point by his increased assist numbers and decline in turnovers. Lucious' 4.7 assists per game average has slowly surpassed his four turnovers per game as of late.

Overall, the Cyclones know there is no room for being complacent and improving not only in turnovers, but everywhere across the board is necessary before they head to Kansas.

With six nonconference games remaining, time is sure to fly by as Iowa State plays three games in six days beginning Tuesday. Once Big 12 play begins, the time designated to improving certain areas is more limited.

"Just continue to get better each game," said Will Clyburn of the team's goal. "Just continue to improve and just continue to try to perfect the game plan and be a better team and find each other's roles, basically."

Next up, Florida Gulf Coast heads to Hilton Coliseum for a Tuesday night showdown. The Eagles beat Miami, which beat Michigan State, earlier in the season. Tipoff is scheduled for 7 p.m.

Volleyball

Hahn pays tribute via shoes to inspirational 16-year-old

By Alex Halsted

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"Just drew it."

With a sharpie and her volleyball shoes, ISU libero Kristen Hahn paid tribute to a young teen who lost his battle with cancer last week.

Drew Wall, a 16-year-old from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was the nephew of Cedar Rapids Kennedy volleyball coach Michelle Goodall, who coached Hahn during her four years of high school volleyball.

"I remember when she came in and was very distraught and upset and crying," Hahn said of her high school coach. "It brought us all to tears, this 11-year-old boy diagnosed with cancer and had to get his leg removed."

At the age of 11, Wall was diagnosed with osteosarcoma — a type of bone cancer — and he later had surgery to amputate his right leg below the knee. For five years, Wall went through 35 rounds of chemotherapy numerous surgeries.

After a long fight, Wall passed away Nov. 26.

"I hugged him and told him how much I love him and how much we all love him and he was gone," wrote his mother Robin Wall on his CaringBridge site last week.

The story inspired many across the state and throughout the country. People went to their computers and got on their phones to tweet about Wall and his message.

Thousands of people sent out "#JustDrewIt." People such as Lance Armstrong shared the message, too.

Prior to the ISU volleyball team's first-round match in the NCAA tournament last Thursday, Hahn picked up a sharpie and marked her own tribute on her team shoes: "#JustDrewIt" on one, "DW" on the other.

"It's just such an inspiration to me," Hahn said of Wall's story. "The fact that he was able to play golf and enjoy his five years after being diagnosed. I think if he can have that much determination and drive and be such an inspiration, especially to me — I can put these last few games and the rest of my career thinking about him."



Photo courtesy of Kristen Hahn

ISU libero Kristen Hahn pays tribute to Drew Wall, a 16-year-old from Cedar Rapids who lost his battle with cancer, with the phrase "Just Drew It" on her shoes. Wall inspired many, including Hahn, during his fight.

On Friday, the volleyball team will play in the Sweet 16 against No. 2-seeded Stanford in Berkeley, Calif. The team isn't looking ahead; it's just happy to still be playing after escaping two five-set matches last weekend against I-P Fort Wayne and North Carolina.

"At this point in the season I think every week, every day you get to play is a blessing," said setter Alison Landwehr. "That's what you're working for all year long."

For Hahn, it's also about remembering a fight that she and many others have been inspired by.

"If I can play every single day living in the moment like he did," Hahn said of Wall, "I'll never regret anything."

Column

Tougher schedule would draw more fans

By Isaac Hunt

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As many people know, tickets for Cyclone Alley at men's basketball games were oversold this season.

Students don't have much room to complain about the new system though — it was democracy at work. Not enough students who bought tickets actually went to games and the athletic department made a choice.

They made the right choice, modeling the system off of Kansas and Kansas State. Now it's time to take it another step further.

Nonconference scheduling must get better for this new system to work. Many students still don't want to go to games ending in 58-point blowouts.

If Iowa State should take something else out of the Kansas schools playbooks: Nonconference home games.

In the past two years, Kansas and Kansas State have played/scheduled nonconference home games against worthy opponents including Kentucky, Georgetown, Ohio State, Florida, Michigan State and Colorado just to name a few.

And that list could be much longer.

Now let's look at the top home, nonconference home games Iowa State has this year and last: Iowa, Northern Iowa, Lehigh, Rice, BYU and Yale.

If Iowa State is going to model anything off of the Kansas schools, it should be nonconference home games.

It looks like the Cyclones are headed down that path though. Coach Fred Hoiberg has transformed this team and the fan base's mindset. Hopefully the schedule follows suit.

Jeff Rutter, ISU director of basketball operations, who works alongside Hoiberg to schedule games, has some good news.

"Our strength of scheduling is just as important as our recruiting," Rutter said.

That is wonderful considering Iowa State is looking at a top-25 recruiting class.

Rutter mentioned a lesson taught by Alabama a few years back in which it did not make the tournament due to poor scheduling.

Nonconference games are made up of "guarantee" games and home-and-home games.

"Guarantee" games are one-year deals where teams are paid to come in and play.

Home-and-home games are just as they sound — each team gets a home game in two different seasons.

Another factor is multi-team events such as tournaments.

"Each year a team can play in a tournament, play up to four teams and only have it count as one game on your schedule," Rutter said. "So basically you can get up to three extra games."

Now the bright side, Virginia bought out of a home-and-home contract that would have brought it to Ames this year, but that game was replaced with BYU.

And fans may recall the Cyclones going to Michigan last season — that, too, was a home-and-home, so look forward to seeing the Wolverines in Ames next year.

The Big 12 Conference can also help the Cyclones. Rutter said there is a rumor of another power conference joining the Big 12 to create a challenge similar to the Big Ten/ACC Challenge.

Change could be coming, but it's coming too slowly.

The ISU men's basketball program is taking steps in the right direction when it should be taking leaps.

Hilton Coliseum will still fill up for games like Florida Gulf Coast, but for how long?

"Our fans turn out regardless of who we play," Rutter said. "But there's a big difference between 10,000 and 14,000."

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Fun Facts

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Human arms have 32 bones each, while human legs only have 30.

Telephone cards first took off in Hawaii, since long-distance charges to the far-flung state were higher there than anywhere else in the country.

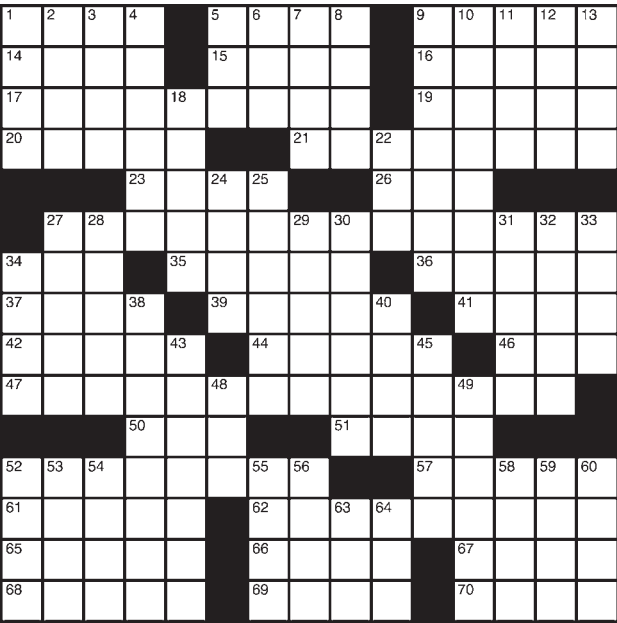
In 1977, Star Wars grossed only \$1.5 million in its first weekend at the box office - and debuted on only 32 screens. For reference, The Dark Knight opened on over 4,200 screens.

Ty Cobb was baseball's first millionaire.

Before antibiotics, patients with syphilis were sometimes purposefully infected with malaria. This was because the bacteria that causes syphilis doesn't fare well at higher temperatures (a blistering fever is a side effect of malaria).

One of the most interesting mysteries of Death Valley National Park is the sliding rocks at Racetrack Playa (a playa is a dry lake bed). These rocks can be found on the floor of the playa with long trails behind them. Somehow these rocks slide across the playa on their own, cutting a furrow into the sediment as they move. Nobody knows how they move!

Crossword



Across

- 1 Ho-hum time
- 5 Ship's command post
- 9 Zip preceder
- 14 Really-really
- 15 Verdi's "Celeste Aida," e.g.
- 16 Hypothesize
- 17 Quits worrying
- 19 Oohed and ____
- 20 "Luncheon on the Grass" painter
- 21 Law firm bigwigs
- 23 Group with many golden agers
- 26 Failed firecracker
- 27 Like 56 minutes of each hour of The Masters telecast
- 34 Federal Web address ending
- 35 Office betting groups
- 36 Curaçao neighbor
- 37 TV's talking horse
- 39 Drum kit drum
- 41 "Want the light ____ off?"
- 42 "Stick Up for Yourself" nasal spray
- 44 Glittery topper

- 46 Molecule with a + charge, e.g.
- 47 "Get off my back!"
- 50 Mischief-maker
- 51 Hose fillers?
- 52 Wide-awake
- 57 Wanted poster word
- 61 Longish skirts
- 62 Unfinished business, or, in a way, what 17-, 27- and 47-Across have in common
- 65 Temporarily unavailable
- 66 Sask. neighbor
- 67 Macro or micro subj.
- 68 Help desk staffers, usually
- 69 Hornet's home
- 70 Tebow throw, say

Down

- 1 Quarter of a quad, perhaps
- 2 Perlman of "Cheers"
- 3 Part of YMCA: Abbr.
- 4 Pep rally cry
- 5 Possess, in the Hebrides
- 6 Christian ____

- 7 Speech impediment
- 8 Honduras native
- 9 Patty turner
- 10 How a pendulum swings
- 11 Tennis great Arthur
- 12 Row at Wrigley
- 13 LAX guesstimates
- 18 Email doesn't require one
- 22 Nutritional abbr.
- 24 1920s-'30s Flying Clouds, e.g.
- 25 Chop-chop
- 27 Greek vacation isle
- 28 For all to see
- 29 Insurance case
- 30 Knesset country
- 31 Written in mystical letters
- 32 Kindle download
- 33 Deservedly get
- 34 Former car-financing org.
- 38 Dwindle
- 40 Hebrides tongue
- 43 Archrivals
- 45 Aquarium accumulation
- 48 One seeking intelligence
- 49 In dreamland
- 52 Leave out
- 53 "Ponderosa" tree
- 54 PTA's focus
- 55 Lust for life
- 56 Charitable distribution
- 58 Machu Picchu resident
- 59 Fussess
- 60 Federal IDs
- 63 Extra NHL periods
- 64 Did nothing

Monday's solution

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Sudoku *by the Mephram Group*

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LEVEL: **1** 2 3 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

Monday's Solution								
1	8	2	9	4	3	5	7	6
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9	7	4	5	2	8	6	1	3
8	6	3	7	1	4	2	9	5
2	5	1	3	9	6	7	4	8
3	4	9	1	6	5	8	2	7
7	1	5	8	3	2	9	6	4
6	2	8	4	7	9	3	5	1

Horoscope *by Linda C. Black*

Today's Birthday

(12/04/12)
Drink in time alone this year with a journal, your thoughts and a cup of tea. Plan for what you want and aim high. Treat yourself well. Care for one who needs it. Family comes first, and home is where your heart is. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries

(March 21-April 19)
Today is a 7 -- Be respectful, and listen to another's cries. Provide information. Passion requires commitment. Maintain objectivity. Let them know you appreciate the feedback. Postpone travel.

Taurus

(April 20-May 20)
Today is a 9 -- Conditions begin to improve, with compromise achieved. A female sets the tone and pace. Don't ask many questions. Take coaching from an expert, and practice.

Gemini

(May 21-June 20)
Today is a 7 -- Mistakes are likely. Nonetheless, commit to your passions. Consult with a co-worker on a priority. Bring in more wealth. Postpone a shopping trip.

Cancer

(June 21-July 22)
Today is an 8 -- Contentment reigns at home. On the spot creativity is required, and it's fun and random. Help others generate necessary funds from available resources. Speak from your heart.

Leo

(July 23-Aug. 22)
Today is a 9 -- Intuition enters the picture. Don't push too hard. Hammer out the details. New information dispels old fears. Test it before sealing up everything. A lovely moment is possible.

Virgo

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Today is a 5 -- Your suggestions may not be immediately accepted. Don't get intimidated. Keep planning. There could be a communications breakdown, with temporary confusion. Postpone a celebration or financial discussion.

Libra

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
Today is a 9 -- Invest in your infrastructure. Obtain the necessary materials. Don't celebrate by spending more. Make financial talk fun. Meticulous planning pays off. Positive numbers appear on the balance sheet.

Scorpio

(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Today is an 8 -- Take care not to step on toes, and connect with the group for public success. It's not a good time to question authority.

Sagittarius

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Today is an 8 -- Use the energy others generate. Don't gossip about work. Postpone travel and expansion. It could get tense, so relax. Keep your head down.

Capricorn

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Today is a 6 -- Follow through on your plan. Arguing just makes it take longer. Minimize financial risks and watch for hidden dangers. Work interferes with travel. Provide information.

Aquarius

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Today is a 7 -- Soak up information, and let your partner do the talking. Visualize perfection. Act on profitable ideas. Expect a visitor.

Pisces

(Feb. 19-March 20)
Today is a 6 -- You can get whatever you need, and easily avoid a mistake. You've earned some rest. Others are drawn to you today. Bask in the glow.

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